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SUBJ: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

REF: STATE 127260

OFFICE INFORMED MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, DR. CARMELO CONTERAS
BARBOZA, WILL ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING. PRESENT INFORMATION
INDICATES HE WILL BE ONLY DELEGATE. BIO-DATA AS FOLLOWS:
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: SAN CARLOS DEL ZULIA, DISTRICT OF COLON,
STATE OF ZULIA; JULY 18, 1935.

FAMILY BACKGROUND AND EDUCATION: FARTHER'S FAMILY IS FROM
TACHIRA STATE; MOTHER'S FAMILY IS ONE OF "THE FIRST" FAMILIES
OF ZULIA. MODERATELY WELL-TO-DO BACKGROUND. EDUCATED IN ZULIA
AND GRADUATED AS A LAWYER IN 1959 FROM UNIVERSIDAD DEL ZULIA.
MARRIED AND HAS TWO DAUGHTERS. PREVIOUS CAREER: FOR A NUMBER
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OF YEARS, HAS OWNED AND OPERATED A DAIRY FARM IN ZULIA, PRODUCING
ABOUT 7,500 QUARTS OF MILK PER DAY. HAS PRACTICED LAW AND HAS
BEEN A LEGAL ADVISOR TO VARIOS BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL OR-
GANIZATIONS. HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN VARIOUS BANKING ORGANIZATIONS
IN ZULIA AND TWO YEARS AGO WAS NAMED A DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL
BANK. ACTIVE IN REGIONAL AND NATIONAL LIVESTOCKMEN'S ASSOCIATION
AND PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION IN 1966. ACTIVE IN

THE MARACAIBO AND NATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. ELECTED SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF ZULIA, 1974. APPOINTED ZULIA STATE GOVERNOR, 1974. MEMBERSHIP: LAWYERS ASSOCIATION OF ZULIA. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSIDAD DEL ZULIA. VARIOUS LIVESTOCKMEN'S GROUPS. HONORS: VARIOUS DIPLOMAS AND MEDALS FROM SEVERAL LIVESTOCK GROUPS. DIPLOMA FROM NATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. DIPLOMA FROM UNIVERSIDAD DEL ZULIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. ORDER OF FRANCISCO DE MIRANDA, SECOND CLASS. PERSONNEL VIEWS: DIRECTED THE 1974 AD CAMPAIGN IN ZULIA BUT IS NOT A "MEMBER" OF AD; HIS PARTY WORK AND AFFILIATION IS BASED ON FRIENDSHIP WITH PRESIDENT PEREZ. ATTITUDE TOWARD U.S.: HE HAS A VERY FAVORABLE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE U.S. (WIFE WAS EDUCATED IN THE U.S.) LANGUAGE SPOKEN: SPANISH. UNDERSTANDS BUT DOES NOT SPEAK ENGLISH. VAKY

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